Ellington Ad Hoc Patriotic Committee

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Minutes

November 25th, 2014

Members Present:

Wilson Flynn, J. Wiley Dumas, John Takach, Bruce Warkentin, James Stemmerman, Al Lewandosky, Andrew McCoy

Members Absent:

David Grim, Michael Varney, Jeff Martin

Others Present:

No others were present

Call to Order:

Chairman Flynn called the meeting to order at 7:05pm

The committee recited the Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes, September 23rd, 2014:

Moved (Dumas), Seconded (Lewandosky), and passed unanimously to accept the Minutes of September 23rd, 2014.

Unfinished Business:

- 1. Chairman Flynn informed the committee that the visibility at the Ellington Farmers' Market had overall positive results, but more needs to be done regarding the committee's Public visibility.
- 2. Chairman Flynn noted that the placement of the signs for the annual Wreaths Across America program will begin this coming week. TSI Harley-Davidson has consented to have a sign placed in front of their business on Hwy 83.
- 3. Chairman Flynn informed the group that the EVFD would provide an Honor Guard for the WAA ceremony. Vice-chairman Dumas objected to this, stating that

- a Fire Department Honor Guard was not appropriate for a ceremony to recognize Fallen veterans of America's Armed Services, and suggested finding either a National Guard Honor guard, or to continue utilizing the Honor Guard that is made up of members of the American Legion and VFW. Mr. McCoy stated that he would check into the availability of an appropriate Honor Guard.
- 4. In regards to the Youth Associate Council, Chairman Flynn informed the committee that he had passed his background check, as required by the Board of Selectmen, and Mr. Takach's check is still processing. Chairman Flynn met with the principal of Ellington High School regarding recruitment for the Youth Associate Council, and reported that the meeting had a positive result. Chairman Flynn expects to hear back from the principal within the next few weeks. Recruitment of young people for the Youth associate Council can press forward.
- 5. Mr. Stemmerman reported that the flags on Veterans' graves that were due to be removed by the Boy Scout Troop were still in place. Mr. Takach stated that he would contact the Scoutmaster about this.
- 6. Chairman Flynn informed the group that the budget for wreaths needed to be increased, due to necessity. Moved (Dumas), Seconded (McCoy) and passed unanimously to increase the budget for wreaths to \$1,080.

New Business:

1. Mr. Dumas made note of the fact that Mr. Varney and Mr. Martin are still carried on the roster, despite the fact that neither have attended the required number of meetings, as stipulated by the Conditions of Appointment. Chairman Flynn stated that he would inform the Office of the First Selectman regarding this.

Adjournment:

Moved (Dumas), Seconded (Lewandosky), and passed unanimously to adjourn at 8:22pm.

Submitted by:

J. Wiley Dumas, Vice-chairman